

To Whom it may concern,

I subscribed to XM satellite radio because of the lack of quality programming in the commercial radio market, it gave me the ability to tailor my listening needs to my personal preferences as well as not have to listen to 55 minutes of commercials with 5 minutes of content. When XM introduced the Traffic and Weather feature this made what was already a great concept now a valuable asset to me as well.

I have made a conscious choice to subscribe and pay for the service that allows me the most value for my personal needs and it is difficult for me to understand why the FCC and NAB would, in America, deny me of that choice ? I still on occasion listen to commercial radio and regularly watch my local news so my XM subscription has not prevented me from using those resources for traffic and weather information as well. However the convenience of having the channels available to me truly puts value in to the monthly fee I pay XM radio.

I strongly urge the you reject the NAB petition 04-160.

Thank you,
Bill Johnson